KILLED AT RESACA.

The Proic Death of a Union Soldier Whose Sweetheart Had Questioned His Courage.

Doubtless the heroine-she appears in the sequel-of the following story was merely a silly girl, with an exaggerated opinion of her own power of judgment and an idea of the "pomp and glory" of war not in accordance with the facts; but when one sits in judgment on the conduct of a brave and true man, under circumstances in which personal experience is inherently impossible, even without that terrible consequences of the present instance, a harsher name than presumption is deserved. Mr. Ambrose Bierce, in a volume of exceedingly vivid war stories, tells the tale.

"The best soldier on our staff was Lieut. Brayle, and as he was commonly in full uniform, especially in action, when most officers are content to be less flamboyantly attired, he was a very striking and conspicuous figure. We liked him as much as we admired him, although we observed that he had one objectionable and unsoldierly quality-he was vain of his courage. Whatever the circumstances, he never took cover, while men older in service and years, higher in rank and of unquestionable integrity, were loyally, and with a better wisdom, preserving behind the crest of a hill lives infinitely precious to their country.

"The end came at Resaca. Our forces formed a semicircle, the enemy's fortified line being the chord of the arc. The general and his staff were at the right extreme of the arc, when, at a momentary break in the firing, Brayle was sent with a message to the officer in command at the extreme left. Instead of taking the longer line through the woods and among the men, as was obviously indicated, to everyone's had taken an important part, leading, amazement he cantered into the open field, parallel to the enemy at a distance of about 200 yards. Instantly the entire fortified line was in a crackling conflagration; our forces sent back an answering fire.

"In the middle of the storm-swept space, equally doomed by friend and foe, Brayle-his horse lay at some little distance-stood motionless, with his face toward the enemy. He would not go back; he could not go forward. for at that point was a deep gully, of which, of course, he had been in ignorance. But for some unscrutable rea



son-it could not be that he had lost his head-he did not avail himself of its shelter. Death did not keep him we passed up the river."--Boston long waiting. long waiting.

"Four stretcher bearers, following a sergeant with a white flag, soon afterward moved unmolested into the field. Beveral confederate officers came out to meet them, and beyond the hostile works a generous enemy honored the fallen dead with fifes and a muffled

"In the breast pocket of the dead of their stories: man was a letter that contained these words: "Mr. Winter has been telling were seen crouching behind a tree. I could bear to hear of my soldier-lover's death, but not of his cowardice!"-Youth' Companion.

A Real Hero. "Talk about heroes," a southern man remarked in a club talk over the reunion of north and south, "I know, a man in New Orleans who is what I call a real hero. He fought through the civil war and escaped without being wounded. Since the war his dearest possession has been the confederate uniform in which he battled for the lost cause. This worn suit of clothes has been carefully packed away, and it has long been his declared intention to be buried in it when he dies. The other day an old comrade, dying by inches of some mortal malady, explained that his own confederate uniform had been stolen or destroyed by moths, and his last days were embit-tered by the fact that he could not be given a soldier's burial. He begged my friend to let him be buried in his suit of confederate gray; he did not seem to estimate properly the sacrifice he was asking. My hero friend told me the story, and said it was the severest trial he had ever encountered in life -the struggle over the dying man's request. He fought the fight out, howarer, and sent the treesured suit of staff in the Garibaldian struggle for Italian freedom." — Philadelphia hem, My New Orleans friend will go to his grave, no doubt, in civilian's parb, but the great Captain, I know, heroes "-Philadelphia Item. he's merely eccentric.-Chicago Daily

#### DISPUTED HONORS.

Controversy Between Naval Officers Which Resembles the Sumpson-Schley Affair.

History being but a continuous sucession of repetitions, we do not have to search far in the past to find a dispute regarding the award of honors for a neval battle which bears an interesting if not a very close resemblance to the contemporary controversy concerning Schley and Sampson. It stands out as one of the ploturesque incidents of the war between the states, and Farragut is the central figure. After the capture of New Orleans by the fleet of that famous admiral he sent the report of his operations to Washington by the hand of lands: Capt. Theodorus Bailey. The captain, innocent of the contents of the report which he bore from his commander,



was eagerly welcomed at the capital, and in the presence of Senator Grimes, of Iowa, was asked by the secretary of the navy to tell the story of the fall of the Crescent city. When Bailey had finished Grimes exclaimed: "Come with me. The account of this great battle must be told on the floor of the

In the senate chamber Capt. Bailey was greeted with emotional cordial-My, and members of the house hurried. over to listen to his recital of the imposing and stirring events, in which he as he did, the first division up the river even in advance of Farragut. At the conclusion of his narrative the representatives returned to their chamber with the impulse to give thanks of congress to both Bailey and Farragut, while Senator Grimes instantly arose in the senate for the same pur-

But before the motion was made Secretary Welles had read Farragut's report, which did not refer to Bailey as having led the way, and indeed represented the fleet as ascending the river in two columns abreast, himself at the head of one of these. Welles hastened a warning to Grimes, and the senator, in the midst of his eulogium, was obliged to call a halt on the two houses along. He explained the matter as well as he could to Capt. Bailey, who still sat in the chamber. but naturally that officer went forth filled with humiliation.

Afterward Farragut alone received the vote of thanks for the victory, and tit was seven years later, and after much correspondence between him and Bailey, that he was brought to see the error which he had committed by inclosing in his report a sketch of the movements as he had originally planned them, but which had been rendered vitally incorrect by a subsequent change in his plans. It was then that he wrote to his wounded subordinate: "My examination of the printed diagram has fully satisfied me of the justice of your appeal. I shall therefore forward to the department a correct sketch of the final attack as

### CHANCE MEETING IN BATTLE.

How a Confederate and a Yankee Rushed Into Each Other's Arms.

Get an old soldier started and he can reel them off by the yard. Here is one

"During Stonewall Jackson's first valley campaign, and the day before me that at some battle in Virginia you the battle of Cross Keys, I was standing," said an ex-confederate officer, "with several other officers of Elwell's division under the shade of a clump of trees in an old field overlooking a deep cut in the road through which the troops were marching. Suddenly I observed Maj. Bob Wheat, the famous commander of Wheat's battalion of Dick Taylor's Louisiana brigade, looking directly forward at a lot of federal prisoners approaching under guard. Wheat was a most magnificent specimen of manhood, and, guided by his intense gaze, I soon singled out among the prisoners the object of it, a man of like proportions to himself. In a moment more Wheat had rushed down the bank with outstretched arms, ex-

"'O, yes, I thought that was you giv-

ing us so much trouble.' "The prisoner opened wide his arms and rushed to meet Wheat in an embrace which showed to us onlookers how tender must have been their relations in the past and how great their friendship still. After a long embrace Wheat told his friend to march on to Richmond and he would see that he was well cared for and soon exchanged. Then, turning to us, Wheat explained that the federal officer was Col. Windham, au Englishman, who had served with him on Gen. Abusana's

Cranks and Eccentries. A man of wealth is never cranky-

## A SEA MYSTERY

Jausa of the Mohegan Disester Will Never be Known.

Fifty o' the Pessengers and Crew Were Resened and the Lat of Dead and Missing Foots Up Morathan 100 Herole Efforts of the Crew to Save Lives.

London, Oct. 17 .- The Atlantie Transport Co. issued the following statement last evening regarding the fate of the passengers and crew of the steamer Mohegan, which was wrecked last Friday evening off the Lizard, between the Manacles and the Low-

"Of the passengers, 11 have been saved, 10 bodies have been recovered,

and 33 are missing. "Of the crew and cattlemen 39 have been saved, 14 bodies have been recov-

ered and 51 are missing." Since this statement was issued nine other bodies have been picked up, including two that have been identified as those of passem ers.

The latest advices from Falmouth say that 38 bodies have been identified, mostly the bodies of sailors. Four are as yet unidentified, including those of wo elderly ladies.

Nine of the bodies have been brought to Falmouth, the others to the village church at St. Keverine. The rescued passengers are being sheltered at cottages along the shore and the crew at the sailors' home at Fal-

The cause of the disaster remains the profoundest mystery. Nobody attempts to explain how the Mohegan got so far north of her course-from six to seven miles. There was no fog at the time; while the wind on her port quarter was not sufficient to prevent her answering the helm. It has been suggested that her compass was faulty, but daylight lasted long after Eddystone light was passed. The sailors say the fact that the Lizard light was not visible should have serv-

ed to give the alarm. Remarkable stories of rescues continue. Robert Barrow, a seaman, performed the feat of swimming unaided through the roughest water to Coverack Point, a distance of two and onehalf miles. He climbed up the rugged cliff, where a searching party found him early the next morning, completely exhausted. A. C. Smith, of Oregon, passenger, surrendered to a woman in the water wreckage that was supporting him and swam ashore unaided. The woman was saved.

Messrs. Smith and W. J. Bloomingdale say there was the greatest difficulty in launching the boats. The ropes were new and stiff, and the blocks would not work. Four or five times as many sailors as should have been necessary struggled to lower each boat. The lockers were hard to open. The crew, in a chivalrous effort to save the women, made the mistake of undermanning the boats. There were only four sailors in one boat, which capsized as soon as it was aunched

recovered. Some were found miles away, in coves; and it is expected that more will be washed ashore to-day. Many persons undoubtedly were killed by being dashed on the rough rocks, who would have escaped if cast ashore on an ordinary coast. Some of the bodies are horribly mangled. A good deal of jewelry and money has been found. As all the navigating officers were lost, it is doubtful whether light will ever be thrown on the causes of the disaster.

SHOT BY PROVOST GUARDS.

Fatal Ending of a Riot at the Anniston Camp-Negro Soldier Killed at Lexing-

Anniston, Ala., Oct. 17 .- Saturday morning a number of volunteers and regulars from Camp Shipp became involved in a free for all fight and a riot ensued. The Third Tennessee volunteers' guard was summoned. One of the guards, whose name has not been learned, fired a shot, killing Sergeant Heise, of Company F, Second infantry, and wounding Corporal Conroy, of the same company; Private Griffin, of Company C. Third Tennessee, and Private Shepherd, of Company F. Second infantry. Heise, who was killed, was promoted from private to sergeant for bravery shown in the charge up San

Juan Hill. Lexington, Ky., Oct. 17.-Intense excitement was caused among the negro vate Shadrac Floyd, of Company L Tenth immunes, by Provost Guard dred and Sixtieth Indiana, late Saturday night. Floyd was under arrest and started to run. Twice he was ordered to halt by Kane. Kane leveled his gun and shot him, the ball entering the left side of the back and passing through the body, perforating the lung. Floyd died at the hospital.

Seeks the Shelter of the Eagle's Wing. Pittsburg, Oct. 17.—Bishop J. C. Hartzell, of the Methodist Episcopal church, whose bishopric is in Africa. stated last night that he had been commissioned by the negro republic of Liberia to go to Washington and ask that the republic be taken under the sheltering wing of the United States. Threatened inroads upon its territory by the Germans, French and English prompted the government to seek the shadow of the stars and

Can Talk Freely.

Washington, Oct. 17 .- Secretary Alger was asked last night if it was the purpose of the war department to take any official action concerning the statements made by Maj. Seaman, surgeon of the First volunteer engineers. "Not at all," replied the secretary. "I want it to be understood distinctly that any officer or man in the army may speak, freely concerning his observations of the war, without the sliightest fear of possible consequences. While I am secretary of war no man shall be the sufferer for speaking what he believes to be the truth."

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